JSY in Tamil Nadu

499. SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY) having special focus on Below Poverty Line (BPL) and Schedule Castes (SC) and Schedule Tribes (ST) pregnant women to promote institutional delivery for them is under implementation in Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of BPL, SC and ST women benefited under JSY in the State during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) how many JSY has helped in reducing maternal deaths in Tamil Nadu?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Yes.

(b) The State of Tamil Nadu, being a High Performing State (HPS) provides incentives to SC, ST and BPL groups under Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY). The total number of beneficiaries under JSY in the State of Tamil Nadu during last four years are as under:-

(Figures in lakhs)

2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10 (up to 31st August 09)
2.88	2.30	3.87	0.93

Separate data on JSY beneficiaries in the categories of SC, ST and BPL is not maintained.

(c) Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY is a safe motherhood intervention under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) under which cash incentive is provided to the poor pregnant women for institutional delivery. Under this scheme, ASHA/link worker facilitates pregnant women to avail services of maternal care and arranges referral transport.

JSY through its incentives facilitates early registration of pregnancy, Micro-Birth Planning, provision of Quality ANC which includes minimum of 4 ANCs, 2 doses of T.T. Immunization and consumption of IFA tablets for 100 days and institutional delivery. Moreover, the women coming in the institutional fold have an opportunity to receive post-natal care within first 48 hours of delivery. All these factors contribute towards reduction of maternal deaths.

Ratio between doctors and nurses

†500. SHRI BHAGAT SINGH KOSHYARI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the ratio among doctors, nurses and population has been defined by Government;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.